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**3D2, ROTUMA ISLAND (and Fiji).** Northern Ohio DX Association (NODXA) members DL7IO/Birgit and Holger/DL7AU will be active from **Rotuma** until **November 24/25th**, as **3D2AO/R** and **3D2IO/R**. They will return to Fiji after their operation and remain in **3D2-land until December 9th**. This is reportedly a vacation (per Fritz, DL7VRO), but radio operations will take place. There have been QSNs reported on 30/12/10 meters CW/SSB via the cluster network. QSL via DL7VRO.

**4L, GEORGIA.** Look for Omari, **4L5O**, to be active in next week's **CQWW DX CW Contest** as a Single Operator/Single Band (28 MHz)/Low Power entry. QSL via CBA.

**4S7, SRI LANKA.** The "DX News Letter" announced that Felix, DL7FER, is expected to spend time here **until Christmas** and will operate CW/SSB on 40-10 meters (also the WARC bands). He will receive his callsign upon his arrival on the island. QSL via bureau to DL7FER or direct to: Felix Kuntzsch, Auf dem Berg 12, D-35745 Herborn, Germany.

**7Q, MALAWI (Update).** NODXA member Edwin, ZS5BBO, will be leaving for 7Q7-land and will arrive **December 19th** for a short holiday **until December 26th**. He will be active from the shores of **Lake Malawi**, signing **7Q7BO**. Activity will be on 10, 20, 15 and 6 meters. He will try to be active as often as it is possible using Icom 706 Mk2 for 6m and Kenwood TS450SAT for the other bands. Edwin would like to give as many operators as possible a new one. All QSL cards are to be sent with SASE (and 2 USD) to his home callsign ZS5BBO: Edwin Musto, P.O. Box 211032, Bluff, 4036, South Africa. NO CARDS WILL BE ANSWERED VIA THE BUREAU. SPECIAL NOTE by Edwin: "I would like to take this opportunity to thank some of my very good ham radio friends. Firstly, thanks to John/7Q7JL for all the trouble he has gone through to help me in getting a license and callsign. Also, I would like to thank the following for their help and assistance. Special thanks to 7Q7HB, 7Q7LA and G0AIS. Without their help in some small way I didn't think this operation would be possible. Also a very big thanks to Tedd Mirgliotta (KB8NW) Editor of the OPDX and President of the Northern Ohio DX

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73 and hope to work all of you in the pile ups.... Any queries please E-mail me at:  
[zs5bbo@arrl.net](mailto:zs5bbo@arrl.net) (before 14-12-99)

**9M600 SPRATLY ISLANDS DXPEDITION QRT.** Bob Schenck, N2OO/9M600, reports that they had a very successful 9M600 operation with 21,000 QSOs logged. The group is currently in Brunei (V8) and is active as V8500. NODXA's club member Jim, K8MR, reports, "I'm having a blast over here" and was operating from V8SEA station at the SEANET convention. QSL via JA0AD. He states that they (along with N2OO and N4PN) are currently at the QTH of V85AA until Wednesday and are operating as **V8500**. QSL via N2OO. They are trying to pay special attention to the WARC bands and the short 160 openings. Then we will be off to **9M6AAC** for the **CQWW CW Contest** (M/S), again QSL to N2OO. Watch for the latest updates on their Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/n2oo/borneo/>

**9M6, EASTERN MALAYSIA.** The "DX News Letter" reports that nine Japanese operators visiting the SEANET Convention in Brunei will go here after the convention and be on the air as **9M8TG**. Activity will be on SSB/CW/SSTV and on 160-6 meters **until November 25th**. QSL via JH3GAH.

**9X, RWANDA.** Vladimir, RE3A, was heard on 10 meters signing **9X3/RE3A** this week. He claims that he will be in Rwanda for about a month. QSL are to be sent to: P.O. Box 899, Moscow 127 018, European Russia.

**A5, BHUTAN (Update).** OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive a complete press release by Jim Smith, VK9NS, about his trip to A5-land.

**A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.** Bernie, W3UR, from "The Daily DX" provided the following press release: "Asia's biggest station **A61AJ** will once again hit the airwaves for the **CQ World Wide CW DX Contest November 27th and 28th**. Ali Al-Futtaim, A61AJ, has invited last year's Asian record breaking multi-multi team of Rich/KE3Q, Boris/T93M, Sam/T94S/PA4AO, Edin/T97M, and Bernie/W3UR back to Dubai. Joining them this year will be Jeff/K1ZM, Rol/K3RA, Phil/N6ZZ, Danny/T93M, and John/W0UN. Team members started to arrive late on November 20th. While there they plan to do some minor maintenance on the existing antenna farm. Also planned is the installation of two new serious antennas for 160 meters and multiple beverages for 80 and 160 meters. Look for activity on 10 through 160 meters (including 12, 17 and 30 meters) CW, SSB, and RTTY before and after the contest." A new A61AJ home page can be found at: <http://www.qsl.net/a61aj/> QSL via W3UR.

**AH2, GUAM.** The Guam Contest Club will once again be active in next week's **CQWW CW Contest**. This club has been the Oceanic leader in the Multi-Single category in the last two years, and in 1998 they made an Oceanic record in this category. This year, due to growing sunspot number, the group will make an effort to build a much better score and aim for the World's Top 10. Operators will be Aki/JI3ERV/NH2C, Kaz/JG3RPL/N1BJ, Toshi/JR7OMD/WI3O and Hiro/JH0USD. They will use the callsign **AH2R** in the contest and be a Multi-OP Single-TX entry from Guam Island (KH2, Zone27, IOTA OC-26). QSL via JI3ERV (Direct or JA Bureau, NOT KH2 Bureau). Their Sunrise/Sunset will be: 2020/0750z. Any questions or comments are welcomed. Don't hesitate to E-mail the Guam Contest Club at: [gcc@seo.or.jp](mailto:gcc@seo.or.jp)

**CQWW DX CW CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENTS.** There are a few Web sites available with up-to-date announcements for upcoming operations during next week's CQWW CW Contest. Check the following Web pages:

- <http://www.vramp.com/~ncj/>
- <http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcw99.html>
- <http://www.cpcug.org/user/wfeidt/Misc/cqcw99.html>
- <http://www.his.com/~wfeidt/Misc/cqcw99.html>

**FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA.** Roger, KF8OY, is in **Tahiti** until **November 24th** and will be active as **FO0MAC**. Rodger plans to be active a lot of 12 and 17 meters while he is there. QSL via KF8OY. VERY IMPORTANT: DO NOT QSL via K8OU. This is a different operator and operation.

**FS, ST. MARTIN.** "The 59(9) DXReport" reports that a few members of the North Jersey DX Association will be active from here **December 1-8th**. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. No callsigns were mentioned.

**GJ, JERSEY.** Bert, PA3GIO, will be active from here (IOTA **EU-013**) as **MJ/PA3GIO/p** or **/m**, **December 11-16th**. Activity will be on 10/12/15/17/20/ 40/80 meters. QSL preferable by the Bureau to PA3GIO. Visit Bert's Jersey Web page at: <http://www.xs4all.nl/~pa3gio/GJ99/>

**GU, GUERNSEY.** Jim, G0OFE, will be active as **GU0OFE** from Wednesday, **December 8th**, until Monday, **December 13th**, primarily for the **10M ARRL Contest**. However, he will be active on other HF bands outside of the contest; most likely 15 and 20 meters, possibly low bands as well. His contest callsign will be **MU0C**. QSL info for both GU0OFE and MU0C is as follows: Bureau cards to the GU bureau, (NOT via G0OFE please ) Direct cards can be sent to G0OFE (callbook address)

**HI9, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (Cancellation).** Heinz, DK5WL, reports that he had to cancel his trip to HI9 because of personal reasons. He would have been active as HI9/DK5WL in the CQWW DX CW Contest.

#### **IOTA NEWS.....**

- **AF-067.** Look for Jim/G3RTE, David/G3UNA, Rob/5Z4RL, Ian/5Z4IC, Graham/5Z4GS and Phil/G3SWH are planning to activate **Wasini Island**, which also counts for **Kenya** for DXCC. Activity will be on both SSB and CW for a week in **mid March 2000**. Wasini has been activated only once before, for a 24 hour period in the 1993 IOTA contest.

**KP5, DESECHEO (OPPS!! Not the prefix KP1 as reported last week).** Over the past week, OPDX has learned that there are more than one group trying to activate this one. All reportedly are having the same problem trying to obtain a landing permit. Hopefully, there will be some breakthrough in the coming future.

**L5/LO1, ARGENTINA.** Look for LU4FPZ to operate as **L5F** a Single Op/Single Band (10m) entry in the **CQWW CW Contest**. Look for LU4FM to operate as **LO1F** in the **CQWW CW Contest** as a Single Op/Single Band (20m) entry.

**LAST TWO CRACKDOWN (Update).** You can find a more clarified version of FCC Enforcement Chief Riley Hollingsworth comments about the last two letter crackdowns on the ARRL Web site ( <http://www.arrl.net> ) and this week's ARRL Letter. In short, Hollingsworth states, "All we said was that if only the last two letters are given, it doesn't meet Part 97". Hollingsworth pointed out that if a calling station using an abbreviated ID is never acknowledged and given a chance to give a complete callsign, a legal ID would be lacking for that communication. To be strictly legal, stations using a suffix-letter ID always must identify at some point in the communication with a complete callsign. To be completely legal, a station using a two letter suffix ID always must identify within the first 10 minutes of the communication (and each 10 minutes thereafter) with a complete callsign. You can also hear Riley Hollingsworth's discuss this issue (using Real Audio) on the Web at: <http://www.rainreport.com/>

**OD, LEBANON.** Slavek, OK1TN, with Vladimir/OK1CW and Pavel/OK1MU, will operate in the **CQWW CW contest** as **OD5/OK1MU**. QSL to OKDXF, Bradlec 73, 293 06 Kosmonosy, Czech Republic.

**OH9, FINLAND (The "BIG GUY" will be active! Tell the kids!).** Santa Claus will be active as **OH9SCL**, **December 17-19th** from **Rovaniemi** before he makes his world-wide tour. Activity will be on all bands and modes. There will be real time logging on the Web. For more information, check the Web page (site still under construction) at: <http://www.oh9scl.com> Or send E-mail to: [oh9scl@sral.fi](mailto:oh9scl@sral.fi)

**OH0, ALAND ISLAND.** The B.I.G. Contest Station on Aland Island, **OH0R**, will be active during the **CQWW CW Contest** with, if possible, even better signals than ever before due to newly installed antennas. They will participate in the Multi/Single category with a joint venture of OH and DL teams (OH2TA/OH0TA, DL1EFD and DL3KDV) representing the Contest Club of Finland (CCF). OH0R QSLs are via OH2TA.

**OZ, DENMARK.** The Bavarian Contest Club (BCC) will be active from here as **OZ/DJ9RR** in the **CQWW CW Contest** as a Multi/Single/High Power entry. The operators are: DJ9RR, DJ7LX, DL8HCO, DK3LT and DL1HCM. Pre-contest activity will start **November 23rd**. QSL via DJ9RR (via bureau).

## **QSL INFO AND NEWS.....**

- Some QSL Manager databases have N6TR listed as manager for **FR5FD**. Larry Tyree, N6TR, has been asked about this and he states he knows nothing about it. The best route is direct to: Patrick Labeaume, 40 Rue Louis des Jardins, Bois de Nefle, F-97411 St. Paul, Reunion Island via France.
- Some databases also list NJ2D as the manager for **LA6WEA**. This is incorrect. QSL LA6WEA via direct to: Kaare Olufsen, Levang, 8890 Leirfjord, Norway.
- **FT5WH** QSLs. Gil, F5NOD, reports sending out around 350 FT5WH QSLs this past week. All QSL requests received before November 5th have been returned. He states that he has the FT5WH log for QSOs up to October 14th. He will have the complete log in January when Gilles, FT5WH, returns back home (leaves December 7th). Next batch will go out in the middle of December.
- QSL cards for the following special event stations from Republic of Moldova (**ER1A**, **ER1CW**, **ER27A**, **ER50A**, **ER50CE**, **ER7A**, **ER8C**, **ER9V**, **ER0ITU**, and **ER200P**) are

to be sent only to ER1DA to the following address: Valery Metaxa, P.O.Box 9537, Kishinev, Moldova, Europe (Direct or via the Bureau). Valery, ER1DA, states, "QSL cards sent to I8YGG, RW6HS, or to any other address are as good as thrown into a garbage can for I didn't authorized them to do this, and I'll inform DXCC committee about that." He also states that due to the considerable increase of postal charges in Moldova, it is necessary to send 2 IRC or 1 USD for direct return QSLs. Please don't send envelopes with Moldavian postage stamps for the postal charges can change any time.

- Steve, **P29BI**, should be close to going QRT on Bougainville Island (OC-135). However, he will remain on the island until November 27th, but he must send his equipment and personal effects home early. His QSL Manager VK4EJ states that he is still waiting on some logs as the mail is sometimes slow, but will QSL as soon as he receives them. QSL to: Bernie McIvor, 30 Brennan Parade, Strathpine, QLD, 4500, AUSTRALIA
- Chris, KL9A (ex-WL7KY), reports cards for **KL9A**, **WL7KY** and **KL1SLE** can be QSLed via NU4N, but **KL9A** cards have not been received from the printer yet. ADDED NOTE: Chris wants to remind everyone that Alaskan stations are NOT just KL7, WL7, NL7, or AL7. They are KL, NL, WL, and AL, ANY number, 0-9. The only exception being KL9KAA-KHZ which is South Korea.

**PIRATE.** On November 17th, a station signing **PY0FA** was active. This station is a pirate. PY0FA doesn't live on the island anymore and is somewhere in Brazil. Do not waste your time or money sending QSLs. The only stations active from Fernando de Noronha are PY0FF (Andre) and PY0FMZ (Helmut, DL2HMZ until November 25th).

**PY, BRAZIL.** Alex, PY1KS, states he will be active in the **CQWW CW Contest** as **PY1KS** as a Single Op/All Band/Low Power entry. He mentions to look for him 160-10 meters, but his best band is 10 meters. He will try some 80/160 meters (only 100w). QSL via PY1KS: P.O.BOX 18123, Rio de Janeiro-RJ, 20722-970, Brazil.

**PY0S, ST PETER AND ST PAUL ARCHIPELAGO (Delayed Again!).** Once again, the NATAL DX GROUP advises that the DXpedition has been postponed until April of 2000. The Brazilian Navy, through the Secretary for Ocean Resources, advises that the trip to the Archipelago St. Peter & St. Paul has been postponed due to the reconstructing of the wooden building and anchorage by the Navy and the Brazilian Environment Department which were destroyed by heavy seas. It should be completed by the end of March, 2000 - probably! The NATAL DX GROUP sends apologies to those who may have been disappointed; they hope to contact them on their next DXpedition.

**R1, ANTARCTICA.** Oleg and his colleague Alex will be using the callsign **R1ANF/A** during **CQWW CW Contest** from the Korean station "King Sejong". QSL via RK1PWA direct to: Nick Shapkin, P.O. Box 73, 164744 Amderma, Arkhangelskaja, Russia. ADDED NOTE: Oleg, R1ANF, reports that his QSL Manager Nick, RK1PWA, is having "big problems" in receiving direct QSL in Amderma. Oleg has decided to keep Nick as QSL Manager for his activities under the callsign R1ANF from the Russian Antarctic station "Bellingshausen", South Shetlands. However, for his operations as R1ANF/A from the Chinese Antarctic Base "Great Wall" (first ham activity) and the Korean Base "King Sejong", cards should only be sent to the following direct address: P.O.Box 10, Novodvinsk-1, Arkhangelskaja obl., 163901 RUSSIA. Cards will be answered after Oleg's return to Russia in spring 2000.

**S9, SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE.** Matt, DA1MH, and Markus, DL5OBZ, will be signing

either **S92CW** or **S92DX** now **through December 4th**. They will be active on 20-6 meters and intend to participate in the **CQWW CW Contest** on 10 meters only.

**V6, MICRONESIA**. Hide, JM1LJS, will be active as **V63LJ** from **Ponape** from **December 26-31st** (possibly **until January 4, 2000**). Look for activity on 80-10 meters CW/SSB. QSL via JH8DEH: Akira Miyata 4-28-5, Minami Nishi 23 Jyou, Obihiro 080-2473, JAPAN.

**YU8, YUGOSLAVIA**. Andy, RW3AH, will be in **Kosovo** during the **next 2 years** and will use the callsign **YU8/9X0A**. QSL info is not known yet.

**ZM7, CHATHAM ISLAND**. Lothar, DJ4ZB, will travel here in the new year and be active from **January 31st through March 3rd**. His callsign will be **ZM7ZB**. His activity, reportedly, will be mainly on 10 meters using a Quad antenna. Suggested frequencies are: 28395, 28495, 28595 or 28460 kHz.

**ZP5, PARAGUAY (Update)**. Dale Long, N3BNA, and Darrell Nerron, AB2E, will join the Multi/Multi team of **ZP6T** for the **CQWW CW Contest**. Also joining the team will be Jorge Diez Furest, CX6VM (CX5X). The ZP operators will be Juan/ZP5MAL, Tom/ZP5AZL, Anibal/ZP5VAY and Luis/ZP5WBM. The station is now equipped with 4 towers with stack monobanders from 40-10 meters and a two element wire beam for 80 meters. Also, there is a high inverted L for 160 meters plus phased beverages for low bands. Their last operation in a contest from Paraguay was in November of 1997. They will make a special effort on the low bands for those who need ZP on CW. They plan to have three stations on at the same time. The QSL Manager for this operation is Juan, ZP5MAL, which is "OK" in all callbooks.

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<http://www.intercom.es/qtc/qtcopdx.htm>

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